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Dear Sir:

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Submitted herewith is an Amendment in response to the Official Action dated January 14, 2004. Applicants petition the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the Official Action dated January 14, 2004 for three months from April 14, 2004 to July 14, 2004.

Please charge the extension fee of \$950.00 to our Visa credit card. Form PTO-2038 is enclosed. Any deficiency or overpayment should be charged or credited to Deposit Account No. 04-1133.

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